



# NEWS RELEASE

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## MEDIA ADVISORY

### Groundbreaking Ceremony for State Route 23 Improvement Project

**WHO:** District 7 Director Douglas R. Failing, California Department of Transportation; U.S. Congressman Elton Gallegly; County Supervisor Linda Parks; County Supervisor Judy Mikels; County Supervisor John Flynn; Thousand Oaks Mayor Dennis Gillette; Moorpark Councilmember Keith Millhouse, Simi Valley Councilmember Barbbra Williamson.

**WHAT:** Groundbreaking event for the widening of State Route 23 construction project between US 101 to Los Angeles Avenue

**WHEN:** Friday, May 12, 2006, 9:30 a.m.

**WHERE:** Conejo Creek North Park  
1401 East Janss Road  
Thousand Oaks CA

**BACKGROUND:** State Highway 23 from the US 101 interchange to Los Angeles Avenue is a four-lane route (two lanes in each direction). The project will widen the corridor to six lanes (three lanes in each direction) and the median barrier will be replaced.

**BENEFITS:** This project will improve mobility, enhance safety, help to alleviate congestion, and improve the movement of goods and services locally and regionally.

**PHOTO OP:** After speakers, VIP's pose with gold shovels in front of banner for a "mock" groundbreaking photo.

